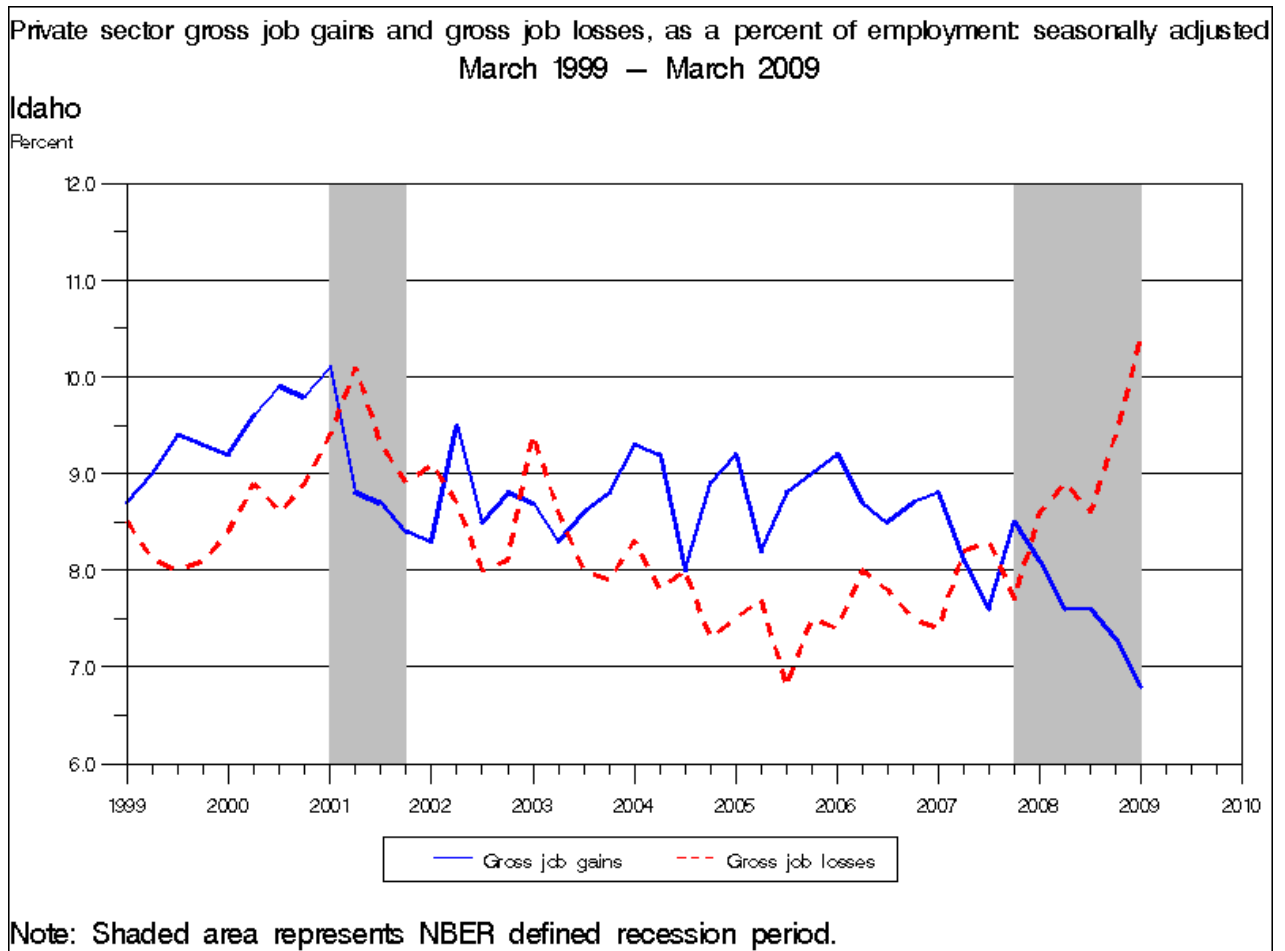

Trends in Gross Job Gains and Job Losses

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Opening and expanding private sector business establishments in Idaho gained 35,289 jobs in the first quarter of 2009. Over the quarter, expanding establishments added 25,997 jobs, while opening establishments added 9,292. Gross job gains were lower than in the previous quarter at expanding establishments as well as at opening establishments.



Gross job losses totaled 54,035 in the first quarter of 2009. In the first quarter of 2009, contracting establishments lost 44,143 jobs, while closing establishments accounted for a loss of 9,892. (See table A.)

Table A. 3-month private sector gross job gains and losses, seasonally adjusted

Category	3 months ended					
	Mar. 2008	Jun. 2008	Sep. 2008	Dec. 2008	Mar. 2009	
	Levels					
Gross job gains.....	44,356	41,269	40,993	38,827	35,289	
At expanding establishments ...	34,584	32,550	31,836	29,162	25,997	
At opening establishments.....	9,772	8,719	9,157	9,665	9,292	
Gross job losses.....	47,670	48,700	46,621	49,612	54,035	
At contracting establishments ...	38,205	38,823	36,693	40,290	44,143	
At closing establishments.....	9,465	9,877	9,928	9,322	9,892	
Net employment change ¹	-3,314	-7,431	-5,628	-10,785	-18,746	

¹ The net employment change is the difference between total gross job gains and total gross job losses. See the Technical Note for further information.